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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re Application of:

David Baunoch, et al

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR AUTOMATED
REPROCESSING OF TISSUE SAMPLES



Group Art Unit: 1623

Examiner: R. Gitomer

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Dear Sir:

In regard to the above-identified patent application:

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